

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SOUTHERN DIVISION  
Case No. 7:23-cv-897

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CAMP LEJEUNE WATER LITIGATION ) **JOINT STATUS REPORT**  
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This Document Relates To: )  
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The Plaintiffs’ Leadership Group (the “PLG”), together with the Defendant United States of America (“Defendant” or the “United States”) (collectively, the “Parties”), jointly file this Joint Status Report. The matters required to be addressed in a Joint Status Report pursuant to Case Management Order No. 2 (“CMO-2”) (D.E. 23) and the Court’s Order of August 8, 2024 (D.E. 271) are set forth below.

**(1) An update on the number and status of CLJA actions filed in the Eastern District of North Carolina**

From February 11, 2023 to January 16, 2026, 3,715 Camp Lejeune Justice Act (“CLJA”) complaints have been filed in this district. One hundred and forty-eight (148) cases have been dismissed; one hundred and thirty-four (134) of those were voluntary dismissals and the fourteen (14) others were pro se cases. The cases are divided as follows: Judge Dever – 931 cases; Judge Myers – 932 cases; Judge Boyle – 911 cases; and Judge Flanagan – 941 cases.

**(2) An update on the number and status of administrative claims with the Department of Navy**

Of 408,961 de-duplicated claims, approximately 187,544 claims contain at least one supporting document. Approximately 13,687 claims contain at least three supporting documents and allege an injury type that may be considered for settlement under the Elective Option (EO) framework. The time between filing a claim and settlement is dependent upon timely receipt of

relevant supporting documents. Per the statutory burden of proof, law firms and claimants must provide evidence of a medical diagnosis and presence at Camp Lejeune before a settlement determination can be made. Filers are encouraged to submit substantiating documentation expeditiously so that the Camp Lejeune Claims Unit (“CLCU”) can confirm substantiation of those alleged EO injuries and the DOJ can approve settlement offers to as many claimants who qualify for the EO as possible.

**(3) An update regarding agreements reached between the Parties concerning the elements of a CLJA claim and the general framework for trial**

The Parties continue to work toward areas in which agreement might be reached, including potential stipulations which would help streamline trials and resolution.

**(4) An update on stipulations entered into between the Parties since the last status conference**

The Parties continue to work toward areas in which agreement might be reached, including potential stipulations which would help streamline trials and resolution.

**(5) A summary of the discovery conducted since the last status conference:**

The Parties have agreed to file separate summaries of the discovery conducted since the last status conference. The Parties’ respective summaries appear below:

**The PLG’s Position:**

The PLG continues to dedicate significant time and resources to conducting discovery in this matter. Below, the PLG sets forth a description of certain ongoing discovery issues.

Expert Depositions and Motions

All expert witnesses for Phase I (Water Contamination) have been both disclosed and deposed by the Parties, and all deadlines with respect to Phase I motions have expired. The Parties have completed the depositions of all expert witnesses for Phase II (General Causation). All expert

witness depositions for Phase III (Specific Causation and Residual Experts), except those witnesses who fall within the separate track for expert discovery related to damages and offsets, have been completed.

On September 10, 2025, the Parties filed all motions related to Phases II and III, with exception of motions related to damages and offsets. [D.E. 630] The PLG filed a total of nine (9) motions to exclude the government's experts under Fed. R. Evid. 702. The government filed thirty-one (31) motions related to Phases II and III. All responses and replies to the said Phase II and III motions have been filed. With exception of motions related to damages and offsets, briefing on Phase II and III motions has closed.

#### Discovery Pertaining to Damages and Offsets

On October 29, 2025, in accordance with the Court's September 17, 2025 Order [D.E. 630], the PLG designated its economic residual experts and produced expert reports. The government's economic residual expert designations and reports were served on December 15, 2025 and materials considered were served on December 22, 2025. The PLG's rebuttal expert reports and designations are being served on January 20, 2026. Expert discovery on these experts will close by March 5, 2026.

In the Joint Status Report of January 2, 2026, the government indicated that it was reviewing the PLG's expert damages reports and amended damages assessment forms and "will contact Plaintiffs' counsel regarding any identified deficiencies." [D.E. 797 at 8] To date, the PLG has received no such deficiency notice from the government.

Further, in the above-referenced Joint Status Report of January 2, 2026, the government stated that it is still "in the process of updating certain previously gathered offset information." [D.E. 797 at 7] The PLG is concerned about the government's apparent failure to comply with the

September 18, 2025 deadline for fact discovery on these issues and the potential impact of the government's ongoing supplementation of information on the Plaintiffs' presentation of damages. Additional information pertaining to the government's alleged offsets has been received twice already since fact discovery closed, on December 5, 2025 and January 7, 2026. The government has stated that it was open to proposals from PLG for final dates for supplementation of damages. The PLG notes that there also is a need for discussion and agreement regarding final dates for supplementation of Defendant's alleged offsets.

#### Motions Pertaining to Damages and Offsets

Pursuant to the Court's September 17, 2025 Order [D.E. 630], the Parties are to confer about the need for motions practice related to Daubert motions (expert admissibility motions) and motions for summary judgment on damages and offsets. The Parties have met to discuss this issue and further discussion also occurred at the last status conference of January 9, 2026. As discussed at that status conference, the PLG is preparing a motion *in limine* to be filed with respect to threshold issues relating to application of the CLJA to damages and offsets. This motion will be filed shortly and falls outside the briefing schedule to be discussed pursuant to the Order on Daubert and summary judgment motions. This motion and a decision thereon will likely reduce the need for further motions practice with respect to offsets and damages.

Previous Case Management Orders set a deadline for *Daubert* and/or summary judgment motions at approximately 45 days from the close of discovery, with approximately 36 days for responses and about 29 days for replies. Based upon these timelines, the following schedule has been proposed by DOJ for *Daubert* and/or summary judgment motions concerning damages and offsets:

- Initial Motions/Briefs: April 20, 2026,

- Responses: May 26, 2026, and
- Replies: June 24, 2026.

The PLG believes this schedule could be tightened up and will be responding to the DOJ's proposal accordingly. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the PLG reiterates the arguments and positions set forth in Plaintiffs' Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expedite Track 1 Bellwether Trials ("Motion to Expedite") [D.E. 721] and states that trials of Track 1 cases can begin before the commencement of Daubert and summary judgment briefing on damages and offsets and such briefing should not alter or delay the trial schedule proposals set forth in the PLG's Motion to Expedite. The Parties will continue to discuss these issues, and the PLG hopes that the Parties will be able to submit a joint motion proposing a schedule for motions practice on damages and offsets.

#### Production of Digitized Muster Rolls

On December 2, 2025, the PLG filed a Motion to Compel Production of Digitized Muster Rolls [D.E. 730]. The Parties subsequently engaged in productive discussions about this discovery dispute, and on December 18, 2025, the government filed Joint Motion to Hold in Abeyance the PLG's Motion to Compel Production of Digitized Muster Rolls [D.E. 788]. The Court granted the Motion to Hold in Abeyance on December 19, 2026.

Subsequently, the Parties engaged in further discussions about resolving the PLG's motion to compel, and a core part of those discussions involved the negotiation of a process for the PLG to preliminarily review the digitized muster rolls to determine the utility of the data in the present litigation. To facilitate this process, the Parties filed the Motion for Entry of Third Amended Stipulated Protective Order on January 2, 2026 [D.E. 796], which the Court on January 9, 2026 [D.E. 802].

Immediately after the Court entered the Third Amended Stipulated Protective Order, the PLG requested that the government provide access to the subject muster roll data on January 9, 2026. The government failed to respond to this request, and therefore the PLG sent a follow-up email requesting such access on January 13, 2026. In response, the government sent an email indicating that it expected to send access credentials during the week of January 13, 2023, and the government further stated its expectation that the PLG would “produc[e] the records to the United States in a manner consistent with the ESI Protocol.”

The government’s demand to receive these records “consistent with the ESI Protocol” would impose a substantial expense and time-commitment upon the PLG. For this reason, the PLG was clear during the Parties’ negotiations of this discovery dispute that, at this initial stage of evaluating the muster roll data, the PLG was not committing to produce the government’s own muster roll data back to it in ESI Protocol-compliant format. During the Parties’ discussions, the PLG insisted that this initial stage would involve a preliminary review of the muster roll data to determine its utility, if any, and that the Parties would discuss any production back to the government and other disclosure/production issues *after* the PLG had undertaken its preliminary review. In fact, the Parties’ *Joint* Motion to Hold Plaintiffs’ Motion to Compel in Abeyance made it clear that, at this stage, the PLG was making only a preliminary review to determine if the data should be formally produced as part of the discovery process and that the PLG was undertaking no other commitments to share access to the data. That Joint Motion stated as follows:

As part of those discussions, the Parties have agreed to an interim framework under which PLG will be permitted limited access to the USMC Digitization Records solely for the purpose of assessing the nature and utility of the data. During this interim process, PLG has agreed that any access or review will be confined to a PLG-only database environment, and that any records accessed or downloaded will not be disclosed outside that environment. The Parties have further agreed that the records will not be used,

disclosed, or relied upon beyond this preliminary review unless and until the Parties reach agreement on additional Protective Order provisions governing such use.

[D.E. 788 at 1 (emphasis added)]. As such, the Parties jointly represented to the Court that this interim review would not create any obligations to share the data outside a “PLG-only database environment.” The PLG insisted upon this condition due to the complexity and expense of importing, saving, processing and producing data that might not even be usable during this litigation.

The government’s insistence that the PLG produce this data back to the government in ESI compliant format – *i.e.*, reproduce data that is already in the government’s possession – is inconsistent with the Parties’ agreement. If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on this issue, the PLG will need to pursue its Motion to Compel.

PLG's Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expedite Track 1 Bellwether Trials (“Motion to Expedite”) [D.E. 721]

The PLG filed its Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expedite Track 1 Bellwether Trials (“Motion to Expedite”) on November 12, 2025. [D.E. 721] The United States responded on December 3, 2025 [D.E. 733] and Plaintiffs filed their Reply on December 19, 2025. [D.E. 789] The PLG disagrees with the positions and proposals of the Defendant and continues to request that Track 1 bellwether trials be expedited. The PLG refers the Court to the pleadings on file, which are ripe for disposition.

PLG's Motion to Strike Dr. Julie Goodman's Untimely and Improper Supplemental Expert Reports

On November 19, 2025, the PLG filed its Motion to Strike Dr. Julie Goodman's Untimely and Improper Supplemental Expert Reports [D.E. 724] on the basis that “supplemental materials” recently provided by this defense expert, which make approximately 300 changes to her expert

submission and were provided long after the due date for expert reports, after the PLG took her deposition, and after the PLG moved to exclude her testimony, are a flagrant violation of the applicable rules and an inappropriate attempt to render new conclusions and analysis. [See Plaintiffs' Memorandum in Support at D.E. 725]. The United States responded to this Motion on December 10, 2025 and the PLG filed its Reply on December 30, 2025. The PLG refers the Court to the pleadings on file. On January 12, 2026, the Court scheduled a hearing on this dispute for January 27, 2026.

#### Expert and Fact Record Supplementation for Track 1

Below, the government states that it sent a letter to the PLG on January 16, 2026 requesting the production of certain medical records. The PLG is presently evaluating the government's said letter of January 16 and will respond promptly.

The government's letter also requested that the Parties confer about a final supplementation deadline. During multiple Joint Status Reports [D.E. 383, 390, 408, 448] and Status Conferences, the PLG has expressed its position that supplementations should be addressed through the normal course and in accordance with applicable procedures, including those set forth in Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(e). Among other reasons, the Track 1 Trial Plaintiffs have serious health conditions that are subject to change, and it is to be expected that their conditions may continue to worsen, new diagnoses may arise, and medical treatment will be required up through trial.

#### Identifiers in Rubris

On December 21, 2023, the Court entered an Order that each plaintiff who has filed a Short Form Complaint is required to provide their date of birth and Social Security Number to the government. In general, this information was previously provided by plaintiffs to Rubris, however, there are some plaintiffs who provided incomplete information. The Parties have communicated



about these issues, and the PLG has made material progress with providing all missing information.

**United States' Position:**

Fact Depositions

The United States confirms that all previously scheduled fact depositions have been taken at this point. The United States recognizes that additional depositions related to certain Track 1 Trial Plaintiffs may be necessary based on changing conditions between now and trial, subject to agreement of the Parties or Order of the Court.

Expert Depositions

All expert depositions have been completed, with the exception of depositions related to economic damages issues.

United States' Supplemental Offset Data Discovery

On June 25, 2025, the Court entered an Order modifying previous scheduling orders to, in part, allow the Parties to engage in limited fact discovery related to the Parties' offset information and corresponding damages information. [D.E. 414]. Since then, the United States has produced additional offset information from various agencies, including the VA (including VHA and IVC), TriWest, TRICARE, and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Separately, the United States has recently updated certain previously gathered offset information, including certain TRICARE information that was inadvertently not gathered for at least one Track 1 Trial Plaintiff and three other Track 1 Trial Plaintiffs who enrolled in Medicare after the United States originally gathered the list of Medicare beneficiaries. That updated information has been produced to PLG. As noted in the prior Joint Status Reports [D.E. 728] & [D.E. 797] and at the Status Hearings of December 3, 2025 and January 9, 2026, however, the

United States anticipates that it will need to periodically supplement offsets information from each of the various applicable agencies before trial and is open to proposals from PLG for final dates for supplementation of damages and offset information. On January 16, 2026, the United States sent correspondence to PLG to that effect, which is discussed in further detail below.

#### Damages Expert Discovery Disclosures

Under the Court's September 17, 2025, Order requiring the Parties to complete fact discovery related to the Parties' offset information by September 18, 2025, [D.E. 630], PLG disclosed its expert damages reports by October 29, 2025; the United States disclosed its expert reports relating to damages and offsets on December 15, 2025; PLG will disclose its rebuttal reports relating to damages and offsets on January 20, 2026; and the Parties will complete expert discovery of damages and offsets, life care planning, and home renovation reports within 45 days of PLG's rebuttal disclosures.

Lastly, consistent with D.E. 630, the United States has offered proposed dates for a briefing schedule "related to experts opining on 'damages and offsets,' 'life care planning,' and 'home renovation.'" Based upon the proposal, following the completion of expert discovery relating to these issues, the Parties will have 45 days to serve motions to exclude any experts ("*Daubert* motions") and the motions for summary judgment relating to these issues (April 20, 2026). The Parties will have 36 days to file oppositions to the motions (May 26, 2026) and 29 days to file replies to the oppositions (June 24, 2026). On January 6, 2026, the United States sent a proposed scheduling order to PLG. As of the date of this filing, PLG has not responded with agreement or proposed edits.

#### PLG's Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations

PLG filed a Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expediate Track 1 Bellwether Trials on November 12, 2025. [D.E. 721]. This motion should be denied. Resolution of threshold issues and motions before individual bellwether trials is consistent with this Court's prior case management orders and will assist with the ultimate global resolution of this litigation and the Navy claims.

In its June 28, 2024 Order, the Court stated that, “[b]efore Track 1 trials commence, the court will resolve two threshold issues: (1) toxic chemical exposure from the water at Camp Lejeune and (2) general causation for the Track 1 illnesses.” [D.E. 247 at 1]. Resolution of the Phases I and II threshold issues of “toxic chemical exposure from the water at Camp Lejeune” and “general causation for the Track 1 illnesses,” along with resolution of *Daubert* motions regarding Phase III specific causation experts and related motions for summary judgment, may obviate the need for some of the individual Track 1 trials and assist in global resolution of the entire litigation and Navy claims. For these reasons, the United States would welcome a schedule for resolution of the threshold issues with the goal of conducting any necessary individual Plaintiff trials before the conclusion of 2026. The United States filed its response to PLG's motion on December 3, 2025. [D.E. 727]. On December 19, 2025, PLG filed its reply in support of the motion. [D.E. 789]. The motion is fully briefed and ripe for the Court's consideration.

PLG's Motion to Strike Dr. Goodman's Corrected Summary Tables

Julie Goodman, Ph.D., DABT, FACE, ATS, is the United States' general causation expert for each of the five Track 1 illnesses. Appended to each of her five reports were summary tables, which provided information to the Court on the hundreds of studies that Dr. Goodman considered in rendering her opinions. PLG pointed out several errors in Dr. Goodman's summary tables at her deposition and in their motion to exclude her opinions under Rule 702, which Dr. Goodman

corrected as required by Rule 26(e). The United States offered to make Dr. Goodman available for a deposition to address the corrections, but PLG has not responded to that offer. PLG wrongly contends that Dr. Goodman's corrections constitute new and untimely opinions and moved to strike the corrections. *See generally* D.E. 724. Dr. Goodman's corrected tables do not constitute new opinions, and striking them is unwarranted under Fed. R. Civ. P. 37 and the *Akeva* factors. The Court granted the United States' unopposed motion for an extension of time and additional pages to respond. [D.E. 727]. The United States' response arguing, among other issues, that PLG's motion is legally unfounded and seeks the extreme and disproportionate sanction, was filed on December 10, 2025.

On December 22, 2025, PLG filed a motion for leave to file a reply to its Motion to Strike, which the United States opposed. The Court granted PLG's motion on December 23, 2025. PLG filed its reply brief on December 30, 2025. The Court has scheduled a hearing on this motion for January 27, 2026.

#### Final Deadline for Expert and Fact Record Supplementation for Track 1

As the United States has raised previously, it is imperative for the Parties to establish a final deadline for fact record and expert report supplementation to ensure all Parties have sufficient time to prepare in advance of trial. The United States believes the Parties should begin outlining this process in the near future.

As discussed at prior status conferences, PLG is continuing to produce medical records and supplementing its Discovery Pool Profile Forms ("DPPF") spreadsheets. But the United States has discovered, through a review of Medicare's data regarding Plaintiffs' medical visits, that there are a number of Plaintiffs' medical records that PLG has evidently not yet produced. On January 16, 2026, the United States sent a letter to PLG detailing the specific records the United States has not

yet received, and requesting production of those records as soon as possible. As set out in the United States' letter, the United States' specific causation and damages experts require these records to evaluate whether they may require supplementation of any opinions under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

The United States also requested in the January 16 letter that the Parties meet to discuss a schedule for completing the production of any additional records that may be considered as part of the fact record for the Track 1 Plaintiffs. This would include an update from the United States of Plaintiff-specific records from the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) and the Veterans Health Administration (VHA), an update on subpoenaed records to third party entities (such as private healthcare providers), and an update from PLG of any other relevant records responsive to the United States' prior Plaintiff-specific discovery requests. The Parties would also be responsible for updating any written discovery, Short Form Complaints, Damages Assessment Forms, and/or DPPFs by an agreed-to time prior to trial. The United States notes that the deadline for *producing* supplemental records would necessarily come at least a month after the date when the Parties make a final records request of the various entities, as it will take government and private entities time to gather and produce records to the Parties, who will then be responsible for producing them within the litigation pursuant to the ESI Protocol.

The Parties should work out a schedule for any final expert disclosure supplementation that would follow the final supplementation of fact-specific records and written discovery submissions. The United States believes that setting out a schedule for these updates now will allow the Parties to continue with orderly and fair trial preparations. This will position the Parties to advance to trial efficiently once the Court sets a schedule for the Phase II and III trials.

### Missing Plaintiff Identifiers in Rubris

Pursuant to the Court's December 21, 2023, Order [D.E. 91], each plaintiff who has filed a Short Form Complaint is required to provide their complete date of birth and full Social Security Number to the United States. This information has previously been collected in Rubris, and the United States identified over 700 entries where this information appears incomplete or missing. PLG was notified. As of January 12, 2026, it is the United States' understanding that 733 out of 793 deficiencies have been resolved in Rubris, with 60 deficiencies remaining.

### United States Marine Corps Digitization Project Update

Plaintiffs have sought the production of records that have been scanned through the United States Marine Corps' ("USMC") ongoing efforts to digitize certain microfilm, microfiche, and paper military records (the "Current Digitization Project"). The United States objected on, *inter alia*, burden and relevancy grounds. PLG filed a motion to compel [D.E. 730]. That motion is being held in abeyance while the Parties attempt to find a solution. [D.E. 788]. In an effort to resolve the issue, the United States offered PLG the opportunity to download and review the standard-quality records scanned in the Current Digitization Project, provided that:

- The Court entered an amended Protective Order to cover PLG's possession of the records;
- PLG agreed to keep all of the records it downloaded on a secure database accessible only to PLG;
- PLG covered the cost of downloading the records available through the Current Digitization Project; and
- PLG produced any records it downloads to the United States at its expense, pursuant to the ESI Protocol.

This agreement was first set forth in the United States' December 8, 2025, correspondence to PLG. The agreement was reiterated during the Parties' December 12, 2025, meet and confer—at which the United States again emphasized its concerns regarding the sensitive nature of the personally

identifiable information (“PII”) contained in the records. The agreement was also memorialized in the United States’ submission in the January 2, 2026, Joint Status Report, without objection from PLG. Finally, the United States confirmed the details of the above-stated agreement on the record at the January 9, 2026, status conference, again without objection from PLG. The Court subsequently entered the Third Amended Stipulate Protective Order (D.E. 802) on January 9, 2026. Under this agreement, PLG would be permitted to download records and then produce to the United States the materials it downloaded. This is consistent with prior document reviews PLG has undertaken of the United States’ hard copy records, including PLG’s hard-copy review in Norfolk and its review of records from the Camp Lejeune cages. That same principle was a core basis for the agreement presented to the Court.

Despite this prior agreement and the United States’ repeated representations to the Court (without objection from PLG), PLG has since advised that they will not agree to produce to the United States the records they download from the USMC digitization repository pursuant to the ESI protocol. PLG now contends that their access obligation is limited to a “utility review” and that any production obligations would be addressed only after such review is completed.

The United States objects to this change in position, which departs from the Parties’ confirmed agreement and undermines core safeguards associated with tracking, protecting, and handling the sensitive PII contained within the records. Nevertheless, in the interest of compromise, on January 20, 2026, the United States proposed another compromise, under which PLG may download a subset of the standard-quality records of their choosing for evaluation, while contemporaneously producing that same subset to the United States pursuant to the ESI Protocol. This proposal is intended to reduce burden, allow PLG to assess record utility, and ensure appropriate tracking and protection of the records. The United States has also invited PLG to

propose any alternative that preserves contemporaneous production and tracking of downloaded records.

Proposal for Track 2 Discovery

The United States has conferred with PLG on the most efficient procedure for discovery on Track 2. The United States believes that resolving general causation issues for Track 2 diseases before conducting individual plaintiff discovery would be most efficient. [D.E. 156]. PLG has indicated that it will review the United States' proposal and confer regarding a discovery plan for Track 2. The United States is prepared to discuss this further whenever PLG is ready.

**(5) Any other issues that the parties wish to raise with the Court:**

The Parties have agreed to file separate summaries of the motions that are pending before the Court. The Parties' respective summaries appear below:

**The PLG's Summary:**

At present, a number of motions have been filed and are undecided. The full list and organization are set forth below:

**I. Phases II and III Motions On Application of Statutory Burden of Proof**

Motions are Applicable to All Diseases and to Future Tracks

- a. United States' Motion to Exclude Certain Plaintiffs' General Causation Experts' Testimony Utilizing the "At Least As Likely As Not" Standard [D.E. 539]
  - i. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Certain Plaintiffs' General Causation Experts' Testimony Utilizing the "At Least As Likely As Not" Standard [D.E. 690]
  - ii. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Certain Plaintiffs' General Causation Experts' Testimony Utilizing the "At Least As Likely As Not" Standard [D.E. 767]
- b. Plaintiffs' Motion to Exclude Expert Opinions that Fail to Apply the Camp Lejeune Justice Acts Burden of Proof for Causation [D.E. 567]
  - i. United States' Response in Opposition to PLG's Motion to Exclude Expert Opinions that Fail to Apply the Camp Lejeune Justice Acts Burden of Proof for Causation [D.E. 664]



- ii. PLG's Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Expert Opinions that Fail to Apply the Camp Lejeune Justice Acts Burden of Proof for Causation [D.E. 762]

## **II. Phases II and III Expert/Illness Specific Motions**

Motions are Applicable to Specific Illnesses as Categorized Below

### **a. Motions Not Limited to a Particular Illness**

- i. United States' Motion for Partial Summary Judgment concerning Dichloroethylene (all cases) [D.E. 520]
  - 1. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion for Partial Summary Judgment Concerning Dichloroethylene [D.E.715]
  - 2. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion for Partial Summary Judgment Concerning Dichloroethylene [D.E. 742]

### **b. Motions to Exclude General Causation Experts Who Opined as to Every Track 1 Case**

- i. Plaintiffs' Motion to Exclude Expert Dr. Michael J. McCabe, Jr. (all cases except Parkinson's) [D.E. 597]
  - 1. United States' Response in Opposition to PLG's Motion to Exclude Expert Dr. Michael J. McCabe, Jr. [D.E. 666]
  - 2. PLG's Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Expert Dr. Michael J. McCabe, Jr. [D.E. 784]
- ii. Plaintiffs' Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Julie Goodman (all cases) [D.E. 621]
  - 1. United States' Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Julie Goodman [D.E.686]
  - 2. PLG's Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Julie Goodman [D.E.785]
- iii. Plaintiffs' Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Lisa Bailey (all cases) [D.E. 624]
  - 1. United States' Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Lisa Bailey (all cases) [D.E. 670]
  - 2. PLG's Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Lisa Bailey [D.E. 776]

**c. Motions with Common Legal Arguments<sup>1</sup>**

- i. United States' "Literature Review Motions" (all cases) [D.E. 584, 574, 541, 559, and part of 543]
- ii. United States' "Differential Etiology Motions" (all cases) [D.E. 586, 569, 557, 530, 533, 537, 553, and part of 543]
- iii. United States' "Threshold Association Motions" (all cases) [D.E. 547, 554, 582, 609]
- iv. United States' Motion for Summary Judgment for Lack of Expert Testimony on But-For Causation (bladder cancer and NHL/Leukemia) [D.E. 601]

**d. Bladder Cancer Motions (Hon. Richard E. Myers II)**

**i. United States' Motions**

- 1. Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Phase II Bladder Cancer Experts Laura Plunkett, Steven Bird, Benjamin Hatten, Kathleen Gilbert, and Stephen Culp ("Bladder Cancer Threshold Association Motion") [D.E. 582]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Phase II Bladder Cancer Experts Laura Plunkett, Steven Bird, Benjamin Hatten, Kathleen Gilbert, and Stephen Culp ("No Predicate Association Motion" Bladder Cancer) [D.E.689]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Phase II Bladder Cancer Experts Laura Plunkett, Steven Bird, Benjamin Hatten, Kathleen Gilbert, and Stephen Culp ("No Predicate Association Motion" Bladder Cancer) [D.E.752]
- 2. Motion to Exclude Opinions of Plaintiffs' Phase II Bladder Cancer Experts Laura Plunkett, Steven Bird, Benjamin Hatten, Kathleen Gilbert, and Stephen Culp ("Bladder Cancer Literature Review Motion") [D.E. 584]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Opinions of Plaintiffs' Phase II Bladder Cancer Experts Laura Plunkett, Steven Bird, Benjamin Hatten, Kathleen

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<sup>1</sup> These motions also are listed more specifically under the individual disease categories below but the motions share common legal arguments and, therefore, may need to be decided jointly. The PLG's responses to motions are identified below in the specific disease categories.

Gilbert, and Stephen Culp (“Literature Review Motion”) [D.E. 700]

- b. United States’ Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Opinions of Plaintiffs’ Phase II Bladder Cancer Experts Laura Plunkett, Steven Bird, Benjamin Hatten, Kathleen Gilbert, and Stephen Culp [D.E. 751]
3. Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs’ Phase III Bladder Cancer Experts for Performing Improper Differential Etiologies (“Bladder Cancer Differential Etiology Motion”) [D.E. 586]
  - a. PLG’s Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs’ Phase III Bladder Cancer Experts from Performing Improper Differential Etiologies (“Improper Differential Motion”) [D.E. 691]
  - b. United States’ Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs’ Phase III Bladder Cancer Experts for Performing Improper Differential Etiologies (“Improper Differential Motion”) [D.E. 755]
4. Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs’ Psychiatry Expert Dr. Haresh Tharwani [D.E. 594]
  - a. PLG’s Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Plaintiff’s Psychiatry Expert Dr. Haresh Tharwani [695]
5. Motion for Summary Judgment for Lack of Admissible Expert Testimony Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56; L. Civ. R. 56.1(a)(1) [D.E. 590] [predicated upon determinations in D.E. 582, 584, 586]
  - a. PLG’s Response in Opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment for Lack of Admissible Expert Testimony Fed. R. Civ. P. 56; L. Civ R. 56.1(a)(1) [D.E. 678]
  - b. United States’ Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion for Summary Judgment for Lack of Admissible Expert Testimony Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56; L. Civ. R. 56.1(a)(1) [D.E. 756]
6. Motion for Summary Judgment for Lack of Expert Testimony on But-For Causation (Bladder Cancer and NHL/Leukemia) [D.E. 601]
  - a. PLG’s Response in Opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment for Lack of Expert Testimony on But-For Causation (Bladder Cancer and NHL/Leukemia) [D.E. 710]

- b. United States' Reply in Response to Motion regarding Motion for Summary Judgment for Lack of Expert Testimony on But-For Causation [D.E. 775]

**ii. Plaintiffs' Leadership Group's Motions**

1. Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Max Kates filed by Camp Lejeune Water Litigation, Plaintiff [D.E. 588]
  - a. United States' Response in Opposition to PLG's Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Max Kates [D.E. 673]
  - b. PLG's Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Max Kates [D.E. 783]
2. Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Harold J. Bursztajn [D.E. 612] (also applies to one kidney plaintiff)
  - a. United States' Response in Opposition to PLG's Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Harold J. Bursztajn [D.E. 668]
3. Multi-Illness Motions at D.E. 597, 621, 624.
  - a. United States' Responses in Opposition are listed at D.E. 666, D.E. 686, and D.E. 670, respectively

**e. Kidney Cancer Motions (Hon. Terrence W. Boyle)**

**i. United States' Motions**

1. Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Expert Dr. Irving Allen's Opinions Regarding Heritability and Causation [D.E. 524]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Expert Dr. Irving Allen's Opinions Regarding Heritability and Causation [D.E. 674]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Expert Dr. Irving Allen's Opinions Regarding Heritability and Causation [D.E. 757]
2. Motion to Exclude Improper Differential Diagnosis Opinions of Plaintiffs' Specific Causation Experts in Kidney Cancer Bellwether Cases ("Kidney Cancer Differential Etiology Motion") [D.E. 569]

- a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Improper Differential Diagnosis Opinions of Plaintiffs' Specific Causation Experts in Kidney Cancer Bellwether Cases [D.E. 697]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Improper Differential Diagnosis Opinions of Plaintiffs' Specific Causation Experts in Kidney Cancer Bellwether Cases [D.E. 759]
3. Motion to Exclude Plaintiff's Psychology Expert Dr. Roger Moore [D.E. 571]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Plaintiff's Psychology Expert Dr. Roger Moore [D.E. 671]
4. Motion to Exclude Phase 2 Opinions of Dr. Bird, Dr. Hatten, and Dr. Mallon ("Kidney Cancer Literature Review Motion") [D.E. 574]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Phase 2 Opinions of Dr. Bird, Dr. Hatten, and Dr. Mallon ("Kidney Cancer Literature Review") [D.E. 707]
  - b. United States' Rely to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Phase 2 Opinions of Dr. Bird, Dr. Hatten, and Dr. Mallon ("Kidney Cancer Literature Review") [D.E. 768]
5. Motion to Exclude Opinions of Drs. Bird, Freeman, Hatten, and Mallon Related to PCE, Benzene, and Vinyl Chloride ("Kidney Cancer Threshold Association Motion") [D.E. 609]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Opinions of Drs. Bird, Freeman, Hatten, and Mallon Related to PCE, Benzene, and Vinyl Chloride ("Kidney Cancer Threshold Association Motion") [D.E. 687]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion Opposition to Motion to Exclude Opinions of Drs. Bird, Freeman, Hatten, and Mallon Related to PCE, Benzene, and Vinyl Chloride ("Kidney Cancer Threshold Association Motion") [D.E. 761]
6. Motion for Summary Judgment (Kidney Cancer) [D.E. 611] (predicated upon determinations in D.E. 539, 569, 609)
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment (Kidney Cancer) [D.E. 677]

- b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion for Summary Judgment (Kidney Cancer) [D.E. 766]
- 7. Motion for Partial Summary Judgment on Claims Accruing after August 10, 2022 ("Accrual Motion") [D.E. 605]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion for Partial Summary Judgment on Claims Accruing after August 10, 2022 ("Accrual Motion") [D.E. 714]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion for Partial Summary Judgment on Claims Accruing after August 10, 2022 ("Accrual Motion") [D.E. 758]

**ii. Plaintiffs' Leadership Group's Motions**

- 1. Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Walter Stadler [D.E. 599]
  - a. United States' Response in Opposition to PLG's Motion to Exclude Expert Dr. Walter Stadler [D.E. 665]
  - b. PLG's Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Expert Dr. Walter Stadler [D.E. 779]
- 2. Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Gail H. Vance, M.D. [D.E. 619]
  - a. United States' Response in Opposition to PLG's Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Gail H. Vance, M.D. [D.E. 663]
  - b. PLG's Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Gail H. Vance, M.D. [D.E. 778]
- 3. Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Harold J. Bursztajn [D.E. 612] (also applies to two bladder cancer plaintiffs)
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to 3. Motion to Exclude Defense Expert Dr. Harold J. Bursztajn [D.E. 668]
- 4. Multi-Illness Motions at D.E. 597, 621, 624.
  - a. United States' Responses in Opposition are listed at D.E. 666, D.E. 686, and D.E. 670, respectively

**f. Parkinson's Disease Motions (Hon. Louise W. Flanagan)**

**i. United States' Motions**

1. Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Parkinson's Disease Experts Drs. Steven Bird, Jason Cannon, Amelia Boehme, Gary Miller, Briana De Miranda, Lucio Costa, and Michael Freeman ("Parkinson's Literature Review Motion") [D.E. 541]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Parkinson's Disease Experts Drs. Steven Bird, Jason Cannon, Amelia Boehme, Gary Miller, Briana De Miranda, Lucio Costa, and Michael Freeman [D.E. 694]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Parkinson's Disease Experts Drs. Steven Bird, Jason Cannon, Amelia Boehme, Gary Miller, Briana De Miranda, Lucio Costa, and Michael Freeman [D.E. 744]
2. Motion to Exclude the General and Specific Causation Opinions of Drs. Richard Barbano, Heidi Schwarz, and Kristin Andruska ("Parkinson's Literature Review and Differential Etiology Motion") [D.E. 543]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude the General and Specific Causation Opinions of Drs. Richard Barbano, Heidi Schwarz, and Kristin Andruska [D.E. 688]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude the General and Specific Causation Opinions of Drs. Richard Barbano, Heidi Schwarz, and Kristin Andruska [D.E. 747]
3. Motion to Exclude Certain Opinions of Plaintiffs' Parkinsons Disease Experts Drs. Jason Cannon, Amelia Boehme, Michael Freeman, Lucio Costa, Steven Bird, Briana De Miranda, Gary Miller, Kristin Andruska, Heidi Schwarz and Richard Barbano ("Parkinson's PCE Daubert Motion") [D.E. 545]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Certain Opinions of Plaintiffs' Parkinsons Disease Experts Drs. Jason Cannon, Amelia Boehme, Michael Freeman, Lucio Costa, Steven Bird, Briana De Miranda, Gary Miller, Kristin Andruska, Heidi Schwarz, and Richard Barbano [D.E. 693]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Certain Opinions of Plaintiffs' Parkinsons Disease Experts Drs. Jason Cannon, Amelia Boehme, Michael Freeman, Lucio Costa, Steven Bird, Briana De

Miranda, Gary Miller, Kristin Andruska, Heidi Schwarz, and Richard Barbano [D.E. 745]

4. Motion to Exclude Certain Opinions of Gary Miller, Lucio Costa and Richard Barbano ("Parkinson's Threshold Association Motion") [D.E. 547]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Certain Opinions of Gary Miller, Lucio Costa, and Richard Barbano [D.E. 682]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Certain Opinions of Gary Miller, Lucio Costa and Richard Barbano [D.E. 746]
5. Motion for Summary Judgment, and In the Alternative, Partial Summary Judgment on the Causal Link Between Perchloroethylene (PCE) and Parkinson's Disease [D.E. 549] (predicated upon determinations in D.E. 539, 541, 543, 545, 547).
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment, and In the Alternative, Partial Summary Judgment on the Causal Link Between Perchloroethylene (PCE) and Parkinson's Disease [D.E. 701]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion for Summary Judgment, and In the Alternative, Partial Summary Judgment on the Causal Link Between Perchloroethylene (PCE) and Parkinson's Disease [D.E. 748]
6. Motion to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim Regarding Simone McElhiney's Loss of Consortium Claim or, in the Alternative Motion for Partial Summary Judgment Regarding Simone McElhiney's Loss of Consortium [D.E. 525]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim Regarding Simone McElhiney's Loss of Consortium Claim or, in the Alternative Motion for Partial Summary Judgment Regarding Simone McElhiney's Loss of Consortium Claim [D.E. 719]
  - b. United States Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim Regarding Simone McElhiney's Loss of Consortium Claim or, in the Alternative Motion for Partial Summary Judgment Regarding Simone McElhiney's Loss of Consortium [D.E. 749]

**ii. Plaintiffs' Leadership Group's Motions**



1. Multi-Illness Motions at D.E. 597, 621, 624.

- a. United States' Responses in Opposition are listed at D.E. 666, D.E. 686, and D.E. 670, respectively

**g. Leukemia and Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma Motions (Hon. James C. Dever III)**

**i. United States' Motions**

1. Motion to Exclude the Specific Causation Opinions of Dr. Lukasz Gondek ("Leukemia Differential Etiology Motion – Gondek") [D.E. 530]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude the Specific Causation Opinions of Dr. Lukasz Gondek (Leukemia) [D.E. 683]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude the Specific Causation Opinions of Dr. Lukasz Gondek [D.E. 750]
2. Motion to Exclude the Opinions of Damian Laber, M.D., FACP ("Leukemia Differential Etiology Motion – Laber") [D.E. 533]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude the Opinions of Damian Laber, M.D. [D.E. 692]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude the Opinions of Damian Laber, M.D., FACP [D.E. 743]
3. Motion to Exclude the Specific Causation Opinions of Dr. Dean Felsher ("Leukemia Differential Etiology Motion – Felsher") [D.E. 537]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude the Specific Causation Opinions of Dr. Dean Felsher ("Leukemia Differential Etiology Motion – Felsher") [D.E. 684]
  - b. United States' Reply in Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude the Specific Causation Opinions of Dr. Dean Felsher (Leukemia) [D.E. 771]
4. Motion to Exclude General Causation Opinions of Plaintiffs Leukemia and NHL Experts under Federal Rule of Evidence 702(b) and (d) for Misapplying the Bradford Hill Methodology ("Leukemia Threshold Association Motion") [D.E. 553]

- a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude General Causation Opinions of Plaintiffs' Leukemia and NHL Experts Under Federal Rule of Evidence 702(b) and (d) for Misapplying the Bradford Hill Methodology [D.E. 708]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude General Causation Opinions of Plaintiffs' Leukemia and NHL Experts Under Federal Rule of Evidence 702(b) and (d) for Misapplying the Bradford Hill Methodology [D.E. 770]
- 5. Motion to Exclude General Causation Opinions of Plaintiffs Leukemia and NHL Experts under Federal Rule of Evidence 702(c) ("Leukemia/NHL Motion on Disease Synergy") [D.E. 555]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude General Causation Opinions of Plaintiffs' Leukemia and NHL Experts Under Federal Rules of Evidence 702(c) [D.E.699]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude General Causation Opinions of Plaintiffs' Leukemia and NHL Experts Under Federal Rules of Evidence 702(c) [D.E.772]
- 6. Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Specific Causation Experts in NHL Trial Cases Under Federal Rule of Evidence 702(d) for Failing to Reliably Employ a Differential Etiology ("Leukemia/NHL Differential Etiology Motion") [D.E. 557]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Specific Causation Experts in NHL Trial Cases Under Fed. R. Evid. 702(d) For Failing to Reliably Employ a Differential Etiology [D.E. 696]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Specific Causation Experts in NHL Trial Cases Under Fed. R. Evid. 702(d) For Failing to Reliably Employ a Differential Etiology [D.E. 773]
- 7. Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Phase II Leukemia and NHL Experts Steven Bird, Lukasz Gondek, Kathleen Gilbert, Timothy Mallon, and Howard Hu ("Leukemia/NHL Literature Review Motion") [D.E. 559]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Phase II Leukemia and NHL Experts Steven Bird, Lukasz Gondek, Kathleen Gilbert, Timothy Mallon, and Howard Hu (Literature Review Motion) [D.E. 703]

- b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Plaintiffs' Phase II Leukemia and NHL Experts Steven Bird, Lukasz Gondek, Kathleen Gilbert, Timothy Mallon, and Howard Hu (Literature Review Motion) [D.E. 769]
- 8. Motion for Summary Judgment Based on Plaintiffs Failure to Proffer Expert Testimony Admissible under Daubert (Leukemia and NHL) [D.E. 576] (predicated upon determinations in D.E. 530, 533, 535, 537, 539, 553, 555, 557, 559)
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment Based on Plaintiffs Failure to Proffer Expert Testimony Admissible under Daubert (Leukemia and NHL) [D.E. 675]
  - b. United States' Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion for Summary Judgment Based on Plaintiffs Failure to Proffer Expert Testimony Admissible under Daubert (Leukemia and NHL) [D.E. 760]
- 9. Motion for Summary Judgment for Lack of Expert Testimony on But-For Causation (Bladder Cancer and NHL/Leukemia) [D.E. 601]
  - a. PLG's Response in Opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment for Lack of Expert Testimony on But-For Causation (Bladder Cancer and NHL/Leukemia) [D.E. 710]
  - b. United States' Reply in Response to Motion regarding Motion for Summary Judgment for Lack of Expert Testimony on But-For Causation [D.E. 775]

## **ii. Plaintiffs' Leadership Group's Motions**

- 1. Motion to Exclude Certain Opinions of Dr. Harry P. Erba filed by Camp Lejeune Water Litigation, Plaintiff [D.E. 580]
  - a. United States' Response in Opposition to PLG's Motion to Exclude Certain Opinions of Dr. Harry P. Erba [D.E. 667]
  - b. PLG's Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Exclude Certain Opinions of Dr. Harry P. Erba [D.E. 782]
- 2. Multi-Illness Motions at D.E. 597, 621, 624.
  - a. United States' Responses in Opposition are listed at D.E. 666, D.E. 686, and D.E. 670, respectively

### **III. Other Pending Motions**

- a. The Parties' respective proposed discovery plans for Track 2 illnesses [D.E. 155 & 156]
- b. PLG's Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expedite Track 1 Bellwether Trials [D.E. 721]
  - i. United States' Response in Opposition to PLG's Motion to Expedite Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expedite Track 1 Bellwether Trials [D.E. 733]
  - ii. PLG's Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expedite Track 1 Bellwether Trials [D.E. 789]
- c. PLG's Motion to Strike Dr. Julie Goodman's Untimely and Improper Supplemental Expert Reports [D.E. 724]
  - i. United States' Response in Opposition to Motion to Strike Dr. Julie Goodman's Untimely and Improper Supplemental Expert Reports [D.E. 740]
  - ii. PLG's Reply to Response to Motion regarding Motion to Strike Dr. Julie Goodman's Untimely and Improper Supplemental Expert Reports [D.E. 792]
- d. PLG's Motion to Compel Defendant United States of America to Produce Digitized Muster Rolls [D.E. 730]
- e. PLG's Motion to Strike Plaintiffs Leadership Group's Motion to Strike Dr. Bailey's Untimely General Causation Opinions [D.E. 787]
  - i. United States' Response in Opposition regarding Motion to Strike Plaintiffs Leadership Group's Motion to Strike Dr. Bailey's Untimely General Causation Opinions [D.E. 790]
  - ii. PLG's Reply in Support of Motion to Strike [D.E. 800]

The PLG continues to believe the Court has many available mechanisms to resolve these motions efficiently. On November 12, 2025, the PLG set forth such a proposal in a Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expediate Track 1 Bellwether Trials. [D.E. 721].

#### **United States' Summary:**

As discussed elsewhere, the United States believes that rulings on the threshold scientific issues of the levels of water contamination and general causation will promote further resolution

of issues, not only for Track 1, but for future Tracks. The United States has also raised significant issues regarding specific causation and interpretation of the CLJA in its September 10, 2025, filings. Decisions on those issues will also promote global resolution. Only after the Court has ruled on these motions should the Parties proceed to trial of individual cases, if necessary. As articulated in the United States' response to PLG's Motion to Reserve Admissibility Determinations and Expediate Track 1 Bellwether Trials that was filed on December 3, 2025, this is the most efficient path forward because it may save court resources for bench trials of individual cases that may be rendered unnecessary. Furthermore, the United States disagrees with PLG's prioritization, grouping, and in certain instances, characterizations of the pending motions.

*[Signatures follow on next page]*

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